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LIPINSKI ANNOUNCES FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT

\$450,000 For Projects in Riverside, LaGrange, and Brookfield Zoo

[WASHINGTON, D.C] Congressman Bill Lipinski announced today that the House Appropriations Committee has approved the FY 2003 VA-HUD Appropriations bill. The bill includes funding for five projects requested by Congressman Lipinski totaling \$800,000 for important priorities in the Third Congressional District.

Specifically, the funds would be distributed as follows:

- **\$100,000 to the Village of Riverside for the restoration of the Historic Water Tower;**
- **\$100,000 to the Brookfield Zoo for the ongoing construction of the Learning Center, and;**
- **\$250,000 to the Village of LaGrange for water infrastructure improvements.**

"These federal funds represent my continuing efforts to ensure that the taxpayers of the Third Congressional District get their fair share back from the federal government," explained Lipinski. "Should this bill become law, the \$450,000 in federal funds will go towards important projects that will improve the quality of life in our community," continued Lipinski. "Throughout my years of public service, I have committed myself to working to make our community an even better place for our families. That will never change."

The FY '03 VA-HUD Appropriations bill must still be approved by the House of Representatives. The Senate has not yet considered their version of the bill.

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